(d) if so, whether Government propose to include M.C. Road in the list of National Highway?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) In pursuance of sanction in March, 1993, of the such scheme for rubberisation of roads, work of laying experimental stretches was completed in March, 1995 and the performance study thereof is still in progress.

(b) in view of (a), it is too early to consider rubberisation of roads.

(c) and (d) Due to meagre allocation of funds during Eighth Five Year Plan, it is difficult to declare more roads as National Highways.

Christian Scheduled Tribes in the All India Services

387. SHRI K.R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the polulation of Christian Scheduled Tribes and other Scheduled Tribes in the country;

(b) the number of Christian Scheduled Tribes working in various All India Services; and

(c) the number of non-Christian Scheduled Tribes working in these services?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR): (a) The population of Christian Scheduled Tribes and other Scheduled Tribes in the country are 36,03,480 and 4,79,63,394 respectively as per 1981 Census. This information for 1991 Census has not yet been compiled.

(b) and (c) The policy of the Government in regard to recruitment of minorities in Central Government services in general, strictly conforms to be provisions of the Constitution. The recruitment rules are framed in such a way that recruitment is based on selection on merit providing equality of opportunity so that no discrimination is made against any section of the population. Since the recruitments are not made on the basis of the caste, community, religion, etc. no data on recruitment on above basis is maintained. Therefore, no information is available for parts (b) & (c) of the question, as such it cannot be furnished.

Creation of Additional Berths for Mangalore Port

388. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to develop Mangalore Port to have additional berths to meet the demand of Cargo; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T. G. VENKATRAMAN): (a) and (b) There are prospects for development of additional berths for POL and dry bulk commodities at New Mangalore Port. The proposals, however, are yet to be firmed up.

Opening of New Psssport Office in Andhra Pradesh

389. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Ministaer of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to statae

(a) the number of Passport applications received by Passport Offices in Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) whether Government have any proposal to open another Passport Office either at Visakhapatnam or Vijaywada to meet the demand; and

(c) if not, the reasons, therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) The number of applications received in Andhra Pradesh (Passport Office,

Hyderabad) during the last three years is:

1993	*1994*	*1995*
202008	131342	149422

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The average number of passport applications received from Visakhapatnam and Vijaywada in a month are 625 and 350 respectively. As the demand for passports from these two places is not very high, there is no felt need at present to open offices at either of these two places. Moreover, Passport Office, Hyderabad is well equipped to serve and cater to all districts of Andhra Pradesh including the above two.

कुल्लू स्थित अबेरी में सेना की छावनी की स्थापना

390. **श्री महेश्वर सिंह:** क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने के कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) हिमाचल प्रदेश के कुल्लू जिले में अबेरी नामक स्थान पर सेना की छावनी बनाने हेतु भूमि का अधिग्रहण करने की नवीनतम स्थिति क्या है;

(ख) अधिग्रहण कब तक पूरा हो जाने की संभावना है; और

(ग) उक्त छावनी की स्थापना में हुई प्रगति की नवीनतम स्थिति क्या है?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एन० वी० एन० सोमू): (क) से (ग) छावनी की स्थापना के लिए (क) कुमसू गांव में राज्य सरकार की 11.26 हेक्टेयर (133 बीघा 12 बिस्वा) और अबेरी गांव में 38.52 हेक्टयर (456 बीघा 18 बिस्वा) भूमि तथा (ख) अबेरी गांव में 105.95 हेक्टेयर (1256 बीघा 14 बिस्वा) गैर-सरकारी भूमि के हस्तांतरण / अधिग्रहण के लिए 2 जुलाई, 1991 को मंजूरी जारी की गई थी। शिमला जिले के कुमसू गांव में राज्य सरकार की 11.26 हेक्टेयर (133 बीघा 12 बिस्वा) भूमि पर 9.9.94 को कब्जा ले लिया गया है। अबेरी गांव में रज्य सरकार की 38.52 हेक्टेयर (456 बीघा 18 बिस्वा) भूमि की मांग छोड़ दी गई है। अबेरी गांव में गैर-सरकारी भूमि के अधिग्रहण के संबंध में राज्य सरकार ने भूमि अर्जन अधिनियम की धारा 4 के तहत 16.11.94 को नोटिस जारी कर दिया है जिसे राज्य के राजपत्र में 21.9.95 को प्रकाशित किया गया था। तत्पश्चात् इस अधिनियम को धारा-6 के तहत 15.2.96 को तत्संबंधी घोषणा कर दी गई थी और उसे राज्य के राजपत्र में 29.2.96 को प्रकाशित किया गया था। इस संबंध में राज्य सरकार द्वारा भूमि अर्जन अधिनियम के तहत आगे की कार्रवाई दो वर्ष के भीतर पूरी की जानी है। छावनी की स्थापना सेना प्राधिकारियों द्वारा भूमि पर वास्तविक कब्जा किए जाने के बाद ही की जा सकती है।

Notification of Schedule 'B' of Buchawat Award

391. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOUR CES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Karnataka Government have urged for notifying schedule 'B' of Buchawat Award; and

(b) the various steps taken by Govern ment to implement the Buchawat Award?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RE-SOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) and (b) There is no Schedule — 'B' of the Bachawat Award. However, the Tribunal had considered Scheme — 'B' while considering allocation of Krishna Water to the Basin States of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. The Government of Karnataka while seeking clarification had prayed to the Tribunal to direct the implementation of the Scheme — 'B' irrespective of the consent of the Basin States. But the Tribunal did not include Scheme — 'B' in its final order.

In accordance with Section 6 of Inter-State Water Disputes Act, 1956 the Government of India published the decisions of Krishna Water Disputes Tribunal on 31st May, 1976, thus making it final and binding on the party States.

Damage of Vehicles during towing away

392. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a crane without the police constable being present towed away a car with a girl therein recently in Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons for the police cop not being present on duty and towing away a car with a girl therein;